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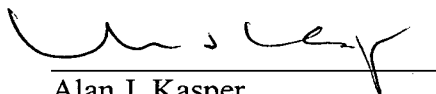
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Search Report for PCT/JP2005/004107 dated April 12, 2005), together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office. ***Additionally, an English-language abstract, submitted herewith, constitutes a concise statement of relevance for JP-A-2001-261954, which is also cited and described on page 2 of the subject application. Also, an English-language abstract, submitted herewith, constitutes a concise statement of relevance for JP-A-5-247333.***

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